

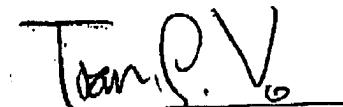
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REMARKS

The Office action dated September 9, 2004 states that the amendment made to Equation VIII of claim 23 renders it unreadable. Therefore, the Applicant cancels claim 23 and adds new claim 46, as the Examiner suggested. Claim 46 recites the same subject matter as claim 23 after it was amended.

Respectfully submitted,



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